THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

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WRIT PETITION NO.28151 of 2005

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DATED: 03.01.2006

Between:

S. Venkata Ravi Kumar S/o late S. Bhima Sankar
R/o D.No. 45-38-53/8, Jagannadhapuram,
Ankkayyapalem, Visakhapatnam.

..... PETITIONER

AND

Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL),

Andhra Pradesh Telecom Circle,
represented by its Cheif Cgeneral manager Telecom,

Hyderabad and another.

.....RESPONDENTS

ORDER:

One S.Bhima Sankaram was employed with the B.S.N.L. as regular Mazdoor. He died on 30.09.2001, while in service. The petitioner is the son of the said employee. He claims that he passed B.Com., degree and passed typewriting in English and Telugu, apart from passing ITI., Electrical. He submitted an application to the respondents to appoint him on compassionate grounds and pleaded that on account of the death of his father he is suffering a penurious condition. The application of the petitioner was considered by the concerned authorities and ultimately through letter dated 14.08.2003, the second respondent informed the petitioner that his case

cannot be considered on the ground that his mother is employed. The petitioner challenges the same.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel for the respondents.

The scheme of providing appointment on compassionate grounds was evolved with an object of rescuing the families from distressful and penurious conditions caused on account of the sudden death of an employee, while in service. It is, but natural that if the family is not facing such distressful and penurious conditions, the benefit of employment on compassionate grounds cannot be extended to the members of that family.

It is not in dispute that the mother of the petitioner is employed. Though the petitioner states that he is not in good terms with his mother, this Court is not inclined to grant any relief to him. It must not be forgotten that the appointment on compassionate grounds is made by ignoring the claims of thousands of unemployed and better qualified persons. It cannot be reduced to the status of succession or inheritance. No exception can be taken to this case. Hence, this Court does not find any basis to interfere with the decision taken by the respondents.

The writ petition is accordingly dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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